



2014 Citizen of the Year



Nominee: Luanne Wilson

Nominator: Jennifer Nelson

In the Nominator's words:

I would like to nominate my Meals-on-Wheels volunteer driver, Luanne Wilson, for the City of Dublin's Citizen of the Year Award. Luanne has been a volunteer driver with us for many years and genuinely cares for the seniors we serve. She drives a route in Pleasanton and Dublin every week, but she often drives more than that. I can count on her to fill in when another driver is out sick or on vacation.



Luanne also uses her own money to purchase little gifts during holidays, and goodies such as sugar-free pudding for the seniors on her route. It's little things like this that show Luanne's kindness. Luanne has also been to the aid of a female senior when she needed medical assistance. Going to deliver a meal one day, she heard the senior calling for help. The door was locked, so she had to go to the next door neighbor's apartment to ask for a chair so that she could climb over the patio fence and get into the senior's apartment via the sliding glass door. Once this was done, she was able to call 9-1-1, and she stayed with her until the paramedics arrived.

More often than not, Luanne is the last to arrive back at my office. That is because she takes a little extra time with each of the seniors on her route, making sure they are okay and attending to any other needs they may have. Luanne is much more than just a driver, she is a friend.